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LOK SABHA

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Implementation of MPLAD Scheme
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Will the Minister of STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has conducted/proposes to conduct any study/survey on the status of implementation of projects under the Member of Parliament Local Area Development Scheme (MPLADS) across the country, if so, the details and the outcome thereof;

(b) the funds allocated and released under the said scheme during each of the last three years and the current year;

(c) the funds utilized on the said projects and the amount remained unspent during the above period, State/Union Territory-wise; and

(d) the total number of completed projects thereunder during the last three years, State/Union Territory-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION [SHRI D.V. SADANANDA GOWDA]

(a) to (d): A statement is laid on the table of the House.

Statement referred to in reply to parts (a) to (d) of Lok Sabha Starred Question No. 191 for answer on 15.03.2017.

(a): Yes, Madam.

The Ministry undertook third party physical monitoring of the MPLADS works in selected districts through independent agencies viz NABARD Consultancy Services Private Limited (NABCONS) and Agricultural Finance Corporation (AFC) Limited. Programme Evaluation Organization (PEO) of erstwhile Planning Commission had also conducted an evaluation of the Scheme.

NABCONS had reported that the MPLAD Scheme is a unique scheme having the characteristic feature of de-centralized development founded on the wide scale application of the principle participatory development and has resulted in the creation of fairly good quality assets towards economic and social infrastructure, which has had an overall positive impact on the local economy, social fabric and feasible environment.

AFC in its report concluded that about 82% works were in the Rural Areas and 18% works were in the Urban/Semi Urban areas. The share of rural and urban area in aggregate cost was 78% and 22% respectively. It was also reported that the scheme has created various durable community assets which have impacted the social, cultural and economic life of the local community in one way or the other.

PEO in its report inter alia mentioned that "The impact of the scheme as felt by the knowledgeable persons and local people indicate that about 65% of the created assets have been rated as good and overwhelming majority of them have opined that the created assets are as per the felt needs and has improved their quality of life."

(b) to (d): The entitlement of honourable Members of Parliament (MPs) is Rs 5 crore per annum, which is released in two equal installments of Rs 2.5 crore each by Government of India directly to the District Authority of the Nodal District of the MP concerned.

The works are recommended by the honourable MPs and are sanctioned as well as executed through District Authorities concerned. The specific data is maintained at the District level and only broad parameters are maintained by this Ministry. Based on information received from the District Authorities, the data for the financial years 2013-14, 2014-15, 2015-16 and 2016-17 is given in Annexure.